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News & Events

Parish Elects New Vestry Members

The following were elected to a three-year term on the Vestry and Chapter of the Cathedral at the annual Parish Meeting on January 29:

Richard S. Abernethy; Gregory S. Curran; Whitney DeBardeleben; John E. Goodman; Trent C. Hull; Frank C. Jones; Melinda A. King; Mary M. McInnis; Donald Y. Menendez; Gretchen K. Williams.

The Advent is grateful to all those who accepted nomination.

Women's Soup Sale is Sunday

Super Bowl Sunday
February 5
Clingman Commons
Beginning at 8:30 a.m.
Open the remainder
of the morning
(or until soup runs out)
\$10/quart

Come purchase some of the best soup in town, homemade by women of the church, all to benefit Advent Outreach ministries.



Souper Bowl



A Word from Canon Warren

During a recent break I read *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand, a book containing the horror stories of Louis Zamperini, who spent two-and-a-half years as a POW in Japanese prison camps. After the war he suffered greatly from depression and nightmares, falling into hopeless despair and alcoholism. His wife almost left him but instead somehow managed to get him to a Billy Graham crusade in Los Angeles in 1949.

The first night of the crusade, an angry Louis slipped out early. But the second night when an invitation to prayer and healing was given, he felt the Holy Spirit grip his heart and he walked down the aisle into a prayer room. There he repented of his sin, giving his life wholly to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Louis is 93 years old now, and his testimony has touched

many lives. He quotes Scripture such as, "Your word is my source of hope" (Psalm 119:114).

I was captivated by Louis' story in *Unbroken*. He endured horrendous torture and utter humiliation. He speaks of our Lord Jesus also enduring unbearable suffering to take upon Himself our guilt and our shame, to free us from the Captivity of Sin. Though Louis was ultimately released from the Japanese prison camp, he was never really free until the Lord Jesus freed him. Blessed be the name of the Lord! Louis has spent the remainder of his life telling his story so that others too might know Jesus the Savior.

"Grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" (2 Peter 3:18). In doing so, you help others to do the same.

Love in ✠

- Joseph P.



Your word is my source of hope.

- Psalm 119:114

Grow in grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

- 2 Peter 3:18

This Sunday:

February 5, 2012

The Fifth Sunday
After the Epiphany

Services:

7:30 a.m. Holy Communion

9:00 a.m. Morning Prayer

11:00 a.m. Holy Communion

Dean Limehouse will preach at all morning services.

5:00 p.m. Evening Service

Preacher: Canon Gibbes

Adult Education: 10:10 - 10:50 a.m.

The Dean's Class (Refectory) - *Jesus Christ as Priest* - Gerald Bray, Research Professor of Divinity at Beeson Divinity School

The Newcomers' Class (Living Room) - *What is a Christian?* - Canon Smalley

Overstuffed and Overjoyed: A Theology of Money for Everyday Living (Chapter Room) - *Part 1 of 2* - Canon Gibbes

Trinity Bible Study - An Open Study of Luke/Acts (Diocesan Conference Room) - *"You give them something to eat."* - Jon Harbuck and Steve Tilghman

Words from the End of the World (John 14) (Day School Library) - Gil Kracke

Children's & Youth Education:

Classes are offered for 3-years and older. See Sunday's service leaflet for details. Nurseries are open 8:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Lectionary:

Psalm 147:1-12, 21c
Isaiah 40:21-31
1 Corinthians 9:16-23
St. Mark 1:29-39

The 9:00 a.m. service is broadcast live on WERC 960 AM, 105.5 FM, and www.WERCFM.com.
Sermon texts and audio recordings are available at www.AdventBirmingham.org.



GET INVOLVED! SEE WHAT'S GOING ON!



servicing & outreach

Lenten Lunches

There are Many Ways to Help

What's your favorite Lenten Lunch dish? The Elegant Shrimp? The Tasty Chicken Tetrazzini? The Fresh Salads or time-honored Bing Cherry and Tomato Aspic? Stop by the Lenten Lunch table this Sunday in Clingman Commons! Sponsorships may be purchased to help us offset the costs of these Lenten traditions. The more sponsorships we sell, the more profit we will have available for local and international Advent Outreach. And we are more than happy to bill you! Phone or email Kelly Hargrove (516-6495, kellyphargrove@charter.net).

What better way to Serve the Lord with Gladness than to share your wonderful homemade desserts? Make them at home and just drop them off! Contact Rebecca Patterson (936-0742, rebeccapatterson@gmail.com).

We still need volunteers for each weekday - cashiers, chicken choppers, cooks, servers, and waitresses! Some of our specific needs are:

Chicken choppers - Monday or Tuesday, 9:00-11:00 a.m.

Salad makers - Thursday, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

Salad servers - Thursday, 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Please contact Tanya Cooper (901-6664, tmcetal@aol.com).

Tornado Relief

How You Can Help

For listings of volunteer opportunities and needed materials stemming from the recent storms, please visit www.csmission.org and www.handsonbirmingham.org.

World Missions

Make a Difference in the Life of a Child

Jennifer Evans will be in Clingman Commons the next two Sundays, February 5 and 12, gathering support for children in need in Kenya and Ecuador. Jennifer is seeking sponsorships for children under the care of two organizations she has visited. The Hope for Orphans Rehabilitation Centre (HOREC) is a home in Joska, Kenya, for children who are orphaned by AIDS. The Children of the Andes program supports schools who serve children from poor families in Ecuador. For more information contact Canon Smalley (443-8569, craig@cathedraladvent.com).

Marriage Retreat

Last Call!

Registration closes Wednesday, February 8, for the rescheduled Marriage Retreat. We hope you will consider joining other Adventers for a great weekend away with your spouse: Friday-Sunday, February 24-26, at The Hotel at Auburn University. Trey Hill (*right*) of Covenant Counseling will be our leader for the weekend.

We have a block of rooms reserved - we hope you can join us so none of the rooms will go unused! A note to help with planning: we do not anticipate offering another marriage retreat until 2014.

For more information and to register, please visit www.AdventBirmingham.org (within the "News and Articles" link). If you have any questions, please contact Gil Kracke (226-3516, gil@cathedraladvent.com).



spiritual growth & fellowship

EYC

Sr. High: Dinner and a Movie on Presidents' Day

Sr. High youth, celebrate your day off with dinner and a movie at The Summit on Monday, February 20. Watch Facebook and the Youth page on our website (www.AdventBirmingham.org) for details. Questions? Contact Elisabeth Elliott (elliott@cathedraladvent.com, 443-8563).

Guild Meeting

St. Martha's Guild will meet Monday, February 13, 11:00 a.m., at the home of Cecile Brigham (Joan Thomas' daughter), 2548 Ashford Place, 35243. Robin Anderson will speak about her travels from a theological perspective.

Men's Ministries

Spring Hike Set for April

Mark your calendars for the Spring Men's Hike, Thursday-Sunday, April 19-22. Look for details and online registration in the coming weeks at www.AdventBirmingham.org.

For more information on Men's Ministries, contact Canon Gibbes (226-3549, gibbes@cathedraladvent.com).

Cursillo

What is a Cursillo Weekend?

Cursillo is a Spanish word for "short course." A Cursillo weekend is a short course in Christian living and practice, led by lay persons and directed by Episcopal clergy. It happens at beautiful Camp McDowell and all expenses are covered as a gift to you by the Cursillo community. There are five Cursillo weekends set for 2012: March 8-11, April 12-15, June 7-10, September 6-9, and October 11-14. If you are interested in attending a Cursillo weekend or want more information, please contact Gerald Stough (553-0328), Joan Stough (553-0329), or Canon Smalley (443-8569).

Grief Recovery

Group to Meet at Covenant Counseling

A Grief Recovery Group will meet for six weeks beginning Tuesday, February 21, 6:30-8:00 p.m. at Covenant Counseling, 2204 Lakeshore Drive. There is no cost for the group, which will be led by Heather Hagens and Lisa Phillips. Participation is limited to eight individuals. For more information or to register, please call Covenant Counseling at 879-7500.

By grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God - not because of works, lest any man should boast.
Ephesians 2:8-9



serving & outreach

Habitat for Humanity

Advent Helping to Build a House

In partnership with Habitat for Humanity and the Central Alabama Long-Term Recovery Committee, the Advent is building a house with a grandmother whose Pratt City home was destroyed in the April 2011 tornadoes. Construction is scheduled to begin February 25. On-site workers as well as monetary and in-kind donations are welcome. Watch the *Adventurer* and our website (www.AdventBirmingham.org) for more details. Contact Carol Williams (443-8550, carol@cathedraladvent.com). *Photo: Tornado damage in Pratt City, April 2011*



Coat Drive



Thanks for the Coats!

Thanks for all of the warm, sturdy coats donated Sunday, January 22. We collected a record-breaking 400-plus coats for homeless and working poor men, women, and children in Birmingham.



education

Newcomers' Class

New Session to Begin this Sunday

Join us in the Living Room starting this Sunday, February 5, at 10:05 a.m. for the spring series of the Newcomers' Class. It is for anyone new to the Advent who is interested in finding out more about what we believe or in joining our church. All are welcome. For more information, contact Sandy Bowron (226-3519, sandy@cathedraladvent.com).

Local Outreach

Help When Temperatures Drop

Volunteers are needed to provide meals and/or desserts on evenings when Boutwell Auditorium is opened as a warming station for residents of Birmingham who do not have a heated, safe place to spend the night. If you'd like to help, please contact Talitha Bailey (401-7626, talithajd@aol.com).

UTO Sunday is February 12

The women of the Advent will collect the United Thank Offering at all three morning services on Sunday, February 12. Begun in 1889 and collected twice a year, UTO is one way we give thanks for the everyday blessings of life while providing blessings for others with urgent needs. Look for the collection in separate baskets at the time of the regular offering - no special envelopes as we save some paper. To volunteer to help collect the offering at a service, please call Amanda Stringfellow at 969-8006.

But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

- Isaiah 40:31

For if I preach the gospel, that gives me no ground for boasting. For necessity is laid upon me. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!

- 1 Corinthians 9:16



book store

Last Call for Big Sale

The 50-percent off Sale will run through Sunday, February 5, when we will pull most sale books to return. Here are some of the bargain books that you might miss!

Real Joy by Ashley Null

NIV Teen Study Bible in Mud Splat Moss

John MacArthur Commentaries

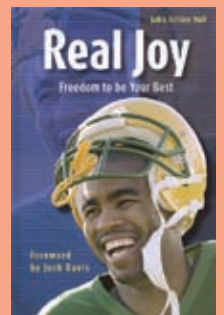
LifeChange Series Bible Studies

God Gave Us Christmas by Lisa Tawn Bergren

New Perspectives for Evangelical Theology, with a chapter by Simeon Zahl.

Wednesday Volunteer - We still need a volunteer to work in the store on Wednesdays. If this is you, please call Cindy Funderburk at 323-2959.

Store hours are Monday-Thursday, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., and Sunday, 8:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m. Contact us: 323-2959, ebinfo@episcobooks.com. Visit us at any hour: www.episcobooks.com.



calendar:

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Feb 5 Regular Worship Schedule Super Bowl Soup Sale - Clingman	6 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m.	7	8 Holy Communion - Chapel - 12:05 p.m.	9 "Sunrise Sinners" Bible Study - Refectory - 7 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Undercroft - 11:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Conf. Rm. - noon	10 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m.	11
Feb 12 Regular Worship Schedule UTO Ingathering - 7:30, 9, and 11 a.m. services	13 Allen Ross Bible Study - Advent Park - 7 a.m.	14	15 Holy Communion - Chapel - 12:05 p.m.	16 "Sunrise Sinners" Bible Study - Refectory - 7 a.m. Women's Bible Study - Undercroft - 11:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study - Conf. Rm. - noon	17 Women's Bible Study - Latimer House - 9:15 a.m. Midday Musical Menu - Nave - 12:30 p.m.	18

Every Sunday: Breakfast - Refectory, 8:00 a.m.

Monday-Friday: AA - Coe Conference Room, noon

coming up:

- Jr. High EYC In-Town Mission: Friday-Sunday, February 17-19
- Sr. High EYC Dinner and a Movie: Monday, February 20, The Summit

- Ash Wednesday: February 22 - Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes, Nave, 7:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6:00 p.m.; Lenten Noonday Preaching and Lunches begin, 12:30 p.m.
- Advent Marriage Retreat: Friday-Sunday, February 24-26, The Hotel at Auburn University

memorials:

Gifts Were Given In Memory Of:

Wilda White Nelson: (Music Discretionary Fund) by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Robinett • (Endowment Fund) by Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Bromberg, Jr.

Shirley Marie Bennett: (Music Discretionary Fund) by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Robinett

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Faye Jason: (Endowment Fund) by Anonymous

Ivory and Elsie Cobb: (Dean's Discretionary Fund) by M. Hendricks

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